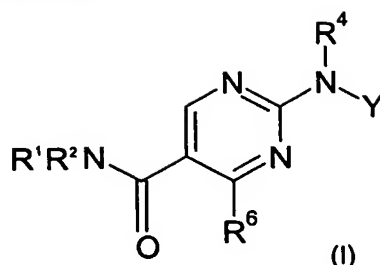


Claims

1. A compound of formula (I):



wherein:

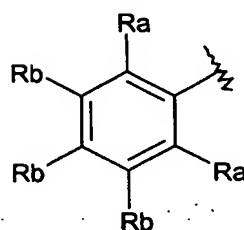
Y is phenyl, substituted with one, two or three substituents;

R¹ is selected from hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, and halosubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl;

R² is C(R⁷)₂R³;

R³ is an optionally substituted 5- to 6- membered aromatic heterocyclcyl group, or group

A:



(A)

R⁴ is selected from hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₃₋₇ cycloalkyl, or halosubstituted C₁₋₆ alkyl, COCH₃, and SO₂Me;

R⁶ is methyl, chloro or CH_xF_n wherein n is 1, 2, or 3, x is 0, 1 or 2 and n and x add up to 3;

Ra can be independently selected from hydrogen, fluoro, chloro or trifluoromethyl;

Rb can be independently be selected from hydrogen, C₁₋₆ alkyl, C₁₋₆ alkoxy, haloC₁₋₆ alkoxy, hydroxy, cyano, halo, sulfonyl, CONH₂, COOH or NHCOOC₁₋₆alkyl;

R⁷ can be independently hydrogen or C₁₋₆ alkyl;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

with the proviso that the compounds are not

2-(4-*tert*-butyl-phenylamino)-4-trifluoromethyl-pyrimidine-5-carboxylic acid benzylamide;

2-(4-*tert*-butyl-phenylamino)-4-trifluoromethyl-pyrimidine-5-carboxylic acid benzyl-methyl-amide;

2-(3-Chloro-phenylamino)-4-trifluoromethyl-pyrimidine-5-carboxylic acid 2-methoxy-benzylamide;

2-(3-Chloro-phenylamino)-4-trifluoromethyl-pyrimidine-5-carboxylic acid 2-bromo-benzylamide.

2. A compound as claimed in claim 1 selected from any one of examples 1 to 114 or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.

3. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound as claimed in claim 1 or 2 or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.
- 5 4. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 3 further comprising a pharmaceutical carrier or diluent thereof.
- 10 5. A method of treating a human or animal subject suffering from a condition which is mediated by the activity of cannabinoid 2 receptors which comprises administering to said subject a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I) as claimed in claim 1 or 2 or a pharmaceutically acceptable derivative thereof.